**THE VALE NEWS**

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Foundation - a time to highlight our commitment to the work of the Rotary Foundation  
  
**Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments**                                     
  
 Nov. 5th  Laura Sabin- Marijuana policy in VT  
       12th Robert Fleming - Malayaka House Ugandan Orphanage -  
       19th Marilyn Bedell - Rotary Foundation How they use our money  
       26th no meeting (Thanksgiving)  
  
 Dec. 3rd Jeff Lynn - Bridge St. Butchery  
       10th Christmas Party at 5:30 PM - Terra Rosa  
       17th  Bertil Agell  
       24th  Christmas Holiday -  N0 meeting  
       31st New Year’s Eve holiday - No meeting  
  
 Jan. 7th Brian Kravitz  Coordinator - Rest. Drawing  
       14th Open  
       21st Betty Keller, MD 

**Birthdays:** Bruce Bertholon  11/06; Rosemarie White 11/5  
  
**Anniversaries**:   Larry & Ruthann Ryan 11/10  
 **Meeting News**

Small Crowd today with only 2 guests:  Glenn Foster (Wayne’s brother) and our speaker, Laura Sabin.

Gary Plewak  led the meeting today.

**Announcements**

Dave Ellison emailed us that Janet’s father passed away last Monday morning.  He and Janet cut their vacation short to return to Rockaway, N.J. to attend the funeral.  If anyone wants to make a contribution, send it to:  In memory of Henry Cook, The United Methodist Church of the Rockaways, 1 Hoagland Ave., Rockawaway, N.J. 07866, Thanks, Dave.  
  
  \*Restaurant Raffle run by Dave Babic & Gene Scarpato. So far 45 certificates received, 9 more must be turned in ASAP.   They can’t print the tickets until they get all the signed commitments, so please pick up the certificates ASAP.  Raffle Drawing set for Jan 7, 2015

\*Thank you notes received from Camp Ta-Cum-Ta & Hands to Honduras for our contributions.  
  
 \*Tom Byrne announced the presentations of the Eleva Chamber Players Global Folk, Old World inspired pieces   Saturday, Nov. 8,2014, 7:30 PM,  Waterbury Congregational Church  Sunday, Nov. 9th,2014, 3:00 PM, First Church Universalist of Barre 19 Church St., Barre, Vt.  
  
 \* Two new members have been proposed for membership in our club.  They will have to go thru the usual protocol.  Approval by the BOD, an announcement in the Newsletter to inform all the members, then upon payment of dues they will become members.  
  
 \* Rotary Foundation Month - Jim Leyton reminded us:EREY (Every member pays installments of $100/year towards a Paul Harris pin)  
  
 \*Senior Center (Evergreen Place) is serving breakfasts on Mondays only.  Not enough people showed up on Thursdays  
  
\*Christmas Party will be on Dec. 10th at the Terra  Rosa Restaurant $42/person for dinner. Cash Bar  
  
Mega Bucks   $260 - Jim Reagan got the usual $5 for missing the joker  
  
**Happy Bucks**

Jim Leyton - Happy Adam was re-elected  
Gene S. - Having tooth pulled  
Adam - Happy to be elected to another term  
Wayne Foster - 1) happy brother here  2) moved back into his house  
Karen W. - Pisa, Italy Rotary Club pedestrian path  
Monk - one eye done, one to go  
Joe Goldstein - Happy with election results for Washington County  
Betty M. - for operating fund  
Stan N. - Happy presidential race started.   (really???)  
Henri - is back & happy  
  
 Note: If I missed anyone, I'm sorry - room was very noisy and everyone seemed to be in a hurry.

**PROGRAM**

Gary introduced Laura Sabin to talk about Marijuana becoming legalized in Vt. Laura sent Wini the following email:

Most of the information that I included in my presentation yesterday is available on our website: [wwww.regulatevermont.org](http://wwww.regulatevermont.org/)

There is also a wealth of information about the issue on the website of our parent organization, the Marijuana Policy Project: [www.mpp.org](http://www.mpp.org/)

I am attaching a number of documents that I use in different contexts to highlight various aspects of the issue.  I hope this helps.  Please let me know if there is additional or more specific information that you would be interested in seeing.

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Note: Making use of marijuana illegal does not stop people from using it but makes it  criminal. In fact that it is  a criminal act makes it more thrilling for young people.  People are finally realizing that the cost of jailing marijuana users is costing the public a lot of money and taking up space in the jails that could be used for real criminals  
  
  
                                    THE FOUR WAY TEST  
                                     …of  the things we think, say or do:  
                                1) Is it the Truth?  
                                  2) Is it Fair to all Concerned?  
                                  3) Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?  
                                    4) Will it be Beneficial to All Concerned?

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